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illustrated, general-purpose computer system 300 comprises a bus 301, or other communications hardware and software, for communicating information, and a processor 305 coupled with bus 301 for processing information. Computer system 300 further comprises a random access memory (RAM) or other dynamic storage device 302 (referred to as main memory), coupled to bus 301 for storing information and instructions to be executed by processor 305. Computer system 300 also comprises a read only memory (ROM) 303, and/or other static storage device, coupled to bus 301 for storing static information and instructions for processor 305. Mass storage device 304 is coupled to bus 301 for storing information and instructions. In one embodiment, mass storage device 304 includes a library of licenses and client accounts used to manage the lending and borrowing of the available electronic assets by various electronic asset lending library clients.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please ~~cancel~~ claim 6 without prejudice. Please amend claims 1, 7-8, 10, 12, 16-22, and 27-28 as follows:

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(Amended) In a general-purpose computer system, a lending library apparatus comprising:  
a electronic asset lending library database containing a plurality of user accounts and at least one license for one of a plurality of unused electronic assets;  
an account manager to maintain the user accounts;  
an asset manager to maintain the licenses for the unused electronic assets;  
a loan manager to control the borrowing of the license for the unused electronic asset by a borrower having a one of the plurality of user accounts; and  
a notification manager to notify the borrower when the loan manager approves a loan to the borrower of the license for the unused electronic asset.